

Mexico: NOMs and NMXs issued by the Mexican Government

During the period January 1 to 31, 2006

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Summary

This document reports on <u>draft and final technical regulations and standards – NOMs and NMXs - issued by the Mexican Government, during the period January 1 to 31, 2006.</u> Five different lists are included to assist U.S. exporters, companies, and other parties, interested in:

- 1. Draft technical regulations (NOMs) that are still in the comment period.
- 2. Technical regulations (NOMs) that have been published in final form as well as responses to comments on draft technical regulations.
- 3. Draft standards (NMXs), which comment period is still open.
- 4. Enacted standards (NMXs).
- 5. Cancelled technical regulations and standards.

Background

All goods and products imported into Mexico must comply with any applicable technical regulations and labeling requirements. Applicable technical regulations and labeling requirements are listed by harmonized tariff system (HS or HTS) code. The Mexican Government publishes technical regulations and standards, through the Diario Oficial de la Federacion (Official Gazette) - the Mexican equivalent of the US Federal Register. Technical regulations are published in the form of a Norma Oficial Mexicana (NOM) (Literally Official Mexican Standard), or a Proyecto de Norma Oficial Mexicana (Draft Technical Regulation). The minimum comment period for draft technical regulation is 60 days. During the comment period the public, businesses, or any interested party can submit comments to the address specified in the text of the draft technical regulation. Comments must be submitted in Spanish and be received no later than the closing date listed in the text of the Proyecto.

The full text of draft and enacted NOMs and some NMXs is available at the library of the Direccion General de Normas (DGN) (Mexican Bureau of Standards), which is part of the Secretaria de Economia (Secretariat of Economy), or at DGN's web page. The DGN web page can be reached at www.economia-noms.gob.mx. Go to the 'Normatividad Empresarial' tab and then to the 'Normas' section. Within the Normas section go to the 'Catalogo de Normas' to search for draft and enacted technical regulations and standards. For some NMXs standards, the text of draft is available at www.economia-nmx.gob.mx or else, directly from the standards development body that issued the draft standard. The most common include ANCE, NYCE, and ONNCCE. These three private sector voluntary standards developers have web pages of their own with contact information.

The web page addresses follow the format of www.{acronym of the body}.org.mx, for example, [www.ance.org.mx]. Responses to comments received must be published in the Diario Oficial. The publication of responses to comments is a clear indication that the publication of the standard in its final form is imminent. If the Government decides to finalize the standard, it will be published as a NOM in the Diario Oficial. Private sector standards follow the same procedure and are identified with the NMX prefix. Voluntary NMX standards become mandatory when quoted or listed in NOMs. The Diario Official is available both in hard copy and electronically.

Lists Included In This Document

Five different lists follow below to assist companies, and other interested parties, to be aware of the draft and final technical regulation issued by the Mexican Government during the period January 1 to 31, 2006:

1. The first is a list of the titles of draft technical regulations (NOMs) that are still in the comment period.

Notes:

- The title and short description are in Spanish, with an English translation.
- Interested parties are encouraged to submit comments on draft technical regulation directly to the entity or individual identified in the publication of the draft NOM.
- 2. The second list reports the titles of the technical regulations (NOMs) that have been published in final form as well as responses to comments on draft technical regulation.
 Note:
 - The title and short description are in Spanish with an English translation.
- 3. The third is a list of **draft standards (NMXs)**, which comment period is still open. Note:
 - Because of time and human resources constraints, only the titles/NMX and codes are presented in Spanish and English, without description. More detailed information is accessible at www.economia-nmx.gob.mx
- The fourth is a list of the enacted standards (NMXs). Note:
 - Because of time and human resources constraints, only the titles/NMX and codes are presented in Spanish and English, without description. More detailed information is accessible at www.economia-nmx.gob.mx
- 5. The fifth is a list of cancelled technical regulations and standards.

Notes:

- Remember that although (NMXs) are voluntary, they become mandatory when referred to in technical regulations (NOMs), which are always mandatory.
- In order to improve the timeliness of this report, the scope of the information has been changed to 15 days.
- 1. Draft Technical Regulations (NOM) Published January 1 to 31, 2006 Proyectos de Norma (Comment period still open)

Unless otherwise noted, the comment period for these draft technical regulations is 60 calendar days from the date of publication. Unofficial translations of titles have been provided to aid the reader as appropriate.

Date	Description
	No Draft Technical Regulations were published during this period of time.

2. Technical Regulations (NOM) Issued and Response to Comments January 1 to 31, 2006 NOMs Emitidas y Respuestas a Comentarios

Date	Description
2006-01-02	Acuerdo mediante el cual se establece el procedimiento para la evaluación de la conformidad para normas oficiales mexicanas expedidas por la Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales
	Agreement that establishes the conformity assessment procedures for Technical Regulations issued by the Mexican Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources
2006-01-04	Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-073-SSA1-2005, Estabilidad de fármacos y medicamentos (modifica a la NOM-073-SSA1-1993, Estabilidad de medicamentos, publicada el 3 de agosto de 1996)
	Technical Regulation NOM-073-SSA1-2005, Stability of pharmaceuticals and medicines (modifies NOM-073-SSA1-1993, Stability of medicines, published on August 3, 1996)
2006.04.06	Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-006-SCFI-2005, Bebidas alcohólicas-Tequila- Especificaciones
2006-01-06	Technical Regulation NOM-006-SCFI-2005, Alcoholic beverages - Tequila - Specifications
	Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-117-SCFI-2005, Prácticas comerciales-Elementos normativos para la comercialización de muebles de línea y sobre medida
2006-01-17	Technical Regulation NOM-117-SCFI-2005, Commercial practice - Regulatory elements for marketing furniture whether or not customized
2006-01-23	Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-043-SSA2-2005, Servicios básicos de salud. Promoción y educación para la salud en materia alimentaria. Criterios para brindar orientación
	Technical Regulation NOM-043-SSA2-2005, Basic health care services. Health promotion and education in food related matters. Orientation criteria
2006 04 25	Aclaración a la publicación del Suplemento del Programa Nacional de Normalización 2005, publicado el 7 de noviembre de 2005
2006-01-25	Clarification to the National Standardization Program Supplement 2005, published on November 7, 2005
0000 04 00	Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-086-SEMARNAT-SENER-SCFI-2005, Especificaciones de los combustibles fósiles para la protección ambiental
2006-01-30	Technical Regulation NOM-086-SEMARNAT-SENER-SCFI-2005, Environmental specifications for fossil fuels
0000 04 00	Modificación a la Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-044-ZOO-1995, Campaña Nacional contra la Influenza Aviar
2006-01-30	Modification to Technical Regulation NOM-044-ZOO-1995, National campaign against the Avian Influenza
2006-01-11	Comentarios al Proyecto de Norma Oficial Mexicana PROY-NOM-086-SEMARNAT-SENER-SCFI-2005, Especificaciones de los combustibles fósiles para la protección ambiental, publicado el 20 de septiembre de 2005, para consulta pública y respuestas a dichos comentarios
	Responses to comments received about the Draft Technical Regulation PROY-NOM-086-SEMARNAT-SENER-SCFI-2005, Specifications of fossil fuels for environmental protection, published for public consultation on September 20, 2005

2006-01-13	Respuesta a los comentarios recibidos respecto del Proyecto de Norma Oficial Mexicana PROY-NOM-001-SEDE-2003, Instalaciones Eléctricas (utilización), publicado el 27 de junio de 2005
	Responses to comments received about the Draft Technical Regulation PROY-NOM001-SEDE-2003, Electric installations (usage), published on June 27, 2005
2006-01-31	Nota Aclaratoria a la Respuesta a los comentarios recibidos respecto del Proyecto de Norma Oficial Mexicana PROY-NOM-001-SEDE-2003, Instalaciones eléctricas (utilización), publicado el 13 de enero de 2006
	Explanatory notice to the responses to comments received about the Draft Technical Regulation PROY-NOM-001-SEDE-2003, Electric facilities (use of), published on January 13, 2006

3. Draft Voluntary (NMX) Standards Published - January 1 to 31, 2006 Aviso de consulta publica (Comment period still open)

Please note - in the case of Voluntary (NMX) Standards, only the titles are presented in Spanish and English without description, due to time and human resources constraints.

Date	Description
	No Draft Voluntary Standards were published during this period of time.

4. Enacted Voluntary (NMX) Standards - January 1 to 31, 2006 Declaratoria de vigencia de NMXs

Please note - in the case of Voluntary (NMX) Standards, only the titles are presented in Spanish and English without description, due to time and human resources constraints.

Date	Description
2006-01-19	Aclaración a la Norma Mexicana NMX-L-169-SCFI-2004, Exploración del petróleo- Taponamiento de pozos petroleros terrestres, lacustres y marinos, cuya declaratoria de vigencia fue publicada el 23 de agosto de 2004 Clarification to Mexican Standard NMX-I-169-SCFI-2004, Petroleum exploration - Plugging of ground, lacustre, and marine oil wells, whose enactment was published on August 23, 2004

5. Cancelled Technical Regulations and Standards - January 1 to 31, 2006 Normas Canceladas

Date	Description
2006-01-31	Aviso de cancelación de la Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-027-SEDG-1996, Controles primarios y controles programadores de seguridad contra falla de flama para quemadores de gas natural, gas L.P., diesel o combustóleo, con detección de flama por medios electrónicos (fotoceldas, fototubos o por detección de la ionización de la flama), publicada el 16 de julio de 1997
	Notice of cancellation of Technical Regulation NOM-027-SEDG-1996, Primary controls and flame proof programming controls for natural gas, L.P. gas, diesel or fuel oil burners, with electronic flame detection (photocells, phototubes or by ionizing flame detection) published on July 16, 1997

For More Information

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